

### Abstract of the Disclosure

The patient worn monitoring device wirelessly monitors patient variables and connects to a variety of sensors with at least one microphone and speaker for voice communications. The patient-worn device connects to a wireless network and thence to the Internet for transmitting data to a Host for access by a health care provider. The health care provider communicates with the patient worn device via the Host over the Internet and the wireless network to send instructions to the patient-worn monitoring unit and to communicate over the wireless network via voice with the patient. The health care provider can also flexibly reconfigure the patient-worn monitoring device to change data collection parameters for the sensors worn by the patient. When an alarm limit is exceeded and detected by the sensors, it is transmitted over the wireless network and thence over the Internet to the Host computer for use by the health care provider.